UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

IN RE: CENTURYLINK SALES PRACTICES AND SECURITIES LITIGATION

MDL No. 17-2795 (MJD/KMM)

This Document Relates to:

Civil File No. 18-296 (MJD/KMM)

PLAINTIFFS' UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Court-appointed Class Representatives the State of Oregon by and through the Oregon State Treasurer and the Oregon Public Employee Retirement Board, on behalf of the Oregon Public Employee Retirement Fund ("Oregon"), and Fernando Alberto Vildosola, as trustee for the AUFV Trust U/A/D 02/19/2009 ("Vildosola," and collectively with Oregon, "Plaintiffs"), by their counsel, hereby move this Court, under Rule 23(e)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, for entry of an Order: (i) preliminarily approving the proposed settlement of the above-captioned action (the "Settlement"); (ii) approving the form and matter of providing notice of the proposed Settlement to Class Members; and (iii) scheduling a hearing to consider final approval of the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, and Lead Counsel's application for an award of attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses. In support of this motion, Plaintiffs submit the Memorandum of Law in Support of Plaintiffs' Unopposed Motion for Preliminary Approval of Settlement, and the Declaration of Michael D. Blatchley and supporting Exhibits 1 through 4 (the "Blatchley Declaration"), including the Stipulation and

Agreement of Settlement dated January 29, 2021 (the "Stipulation"), attached as Exhibit 1, and the [Proposed] Order Preliminarily Approving Settlement and Authorizing Dissemination of Notice of Settlement Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e)(1), attached as Exhibit 2. Pursuant to the terms of the Stipulation, this motion is unopposed by Defendants.

Dated: February 1, 2021 Respectfully submitted,

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